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On 26 May 1955, a laborer employed at the Graugießerei Velten, ~~who became 18 years old in August 1955 (sic),~~ and several other members of his brigade were told by a commission of one party functionary and five KVP members ~~that~~ that they must immediately join the KVP. Although the ~~young~~ laborers disliked joining the KVP, the team obeyed because they were told that, if they ~~joined~~, they would be given ~~well-paid~~ jobs. On 27 May 1955, they and other young laborers had to fill in questionnaires in Oranienburg and to undergo medical examinations. On 30 May 1955, they had again to report in Oranienburg, had to turn in their identity cards and were then taken by truck to the Schlesischer Bahnhof (railroad station) in Berlin. On 1 June 1955, they travelled to Weissenfels. It was stated that 3,000 newly recruited KVP members assembled in Weissenfels.

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